

Limiting competition is not a good idea. Even if it were a reasonable action under present conditions (which I seriously doubt this proposal is), changing circumstances in the future might have unforeseen and unwanted consequences. Please do not approve Bell South's request. When I return to California next year, I want to be able to choose my service provider, and I want the smaller, independent providers to still be in business. In my experience, they are more responsive and more efficient. Please preserve the wide range of choices now available to consumers. Thank you.